Form Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return

OMB No. 1545-0188

What's New

- You can now use Form 4868 to obtain an automatic 6-month extension (generally 4 months if you are "out of the country"). You no longer need to file Form 2688 for additional extension of time. See General Instructions on page 2.
- If you are "out of the country" and are a U.S. citizen or resident, you must check the box on line 8. See When To File Form 4868 on page 2 and the instructions for line 8 on page 3.



It's Convenient, Safe, and Secure

IRS e-file is the IRS's electronic filing program. You can get an automatic extension of time to file your tax return by filing Form 4868 electronically. You will receive an electronic acknowledgment once you complete the transaction. Keep it with your records. Do not send in Form 4868 if you file electronically

Complete Form 4868 to use as a worksheet. If you think you may owe tax when you file your return, you will need to estimate your total tax liability and subtract how much you have already paid (lines 4, 5, and 6 below).

If you think you may owe tax and wish to make a payment, you may pay by electronic funds withdrawal using option 1 or you may pay by credit card using option 2. See 1 and 2 on this page for details.



E-file Using Your Personal Computer or Through a Tax **Professional**

Refer to your tax software package or tax preparer for ways to file electronically. Be sure to have a copy of your 2004 tax return—you will be asked to provide information from the return for taxpayer verification. If you wish to make a payment, you can pay by electronic funds withdrawal (see page 4) or send your payment to the address shown in the middle column under Where To File a Paper Form 4868 on page 4.



E-file and Pay by Credit

You can get an extension if you pay part or all of your estimate of income tax due by using a credit card (American Express® Card, Discover® Card, MasterCard® card, or Visa® card). Your payment must be at least \$1. You may pay by phone or over the Internet through one of the service providers listed below.

Each service provider will charge a convenience fee based on the amount of the tax payment you are making. Fees may vary between service providers. You will be told what the fee is during the transaction and will have the option to continue or cancel the transaction. You may also obtain the convenience fee by calling the providers' toll-free automated customer service numbers or visiting their websites. Do not add the convenience fee to your tax payment.

Confirmation number. You will receive a confirmation number when you pay by credit card. Enter the confirmation number below and keep for your records.

Link2Gov Corporation

1-888-PAY-1040sm (1-888-729-1040) 1-888-658-5465 (Customer Service) www.PAY1040.com

Official Payments Corporation

1-800-2PAY-TAXsm (1-800-272-9829) 1-877-754-4413 (Customer Service) www.officialpayments.com

Enter confirmation number here



File a Paper Form 4868

If you wish to file on paper instead of electronically, fill in the Form 4868 below and mail it to the address shown on page 4. If you are a fiscal year taxpayer, you must file a paper Form 4868.

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For calendar year 2005, or other tax year beginning

, 2005, ending 200 OMB No. 1545-0188

Caution: incorrect or missing information may cause a delay in processing.					
Part I	I Identification		Part II	Individual Income Tax	
1 Your name(s) (see instructi	ons)		4 Est	imate of total tax liability for 2005 . \$	
Address (see instructions)			5 To	5 Total 2005 payments	
City, town, or post office	State	ZIP code		lance due. Subtract line 5 from line see instructions)	
2 Your social security number	3 Spouse's social s	3 Spouse's social security number		ount you are paying (see instructions) ▶	
				eck here if you are "out of the country" and a U.S. zen or resident	